

REMARKS

In the final Office Action mailed November 30, 2004, the Examiner made the following point in responding to Applicants' arguments that were set forth in the Amendment After Office Action mailed May 5, 2004:

“In response to applicant's argument that the references fail to show certain features of applicant's invention, it is noted that the features upon which applicant relies (i.e., the message transmission without receivers' address) are not recited in the rejected claim(s). Although the claims are interpreted in light of the specification, limitations from the specification are not read into the claims. (citation omitted)” (final Office Action page 3, lines 10-14)

The Applicants have taken these comments of the Examiner to heart. In newly proposed claims 27-39, which the Examiner will note track substantially cancelled claims 14-26, Applicants have added the notable limitations in independent claims 27 and 37 (corresponding to claims 14 and 24) that the transmitted messages are all identical and that they are transmitted without specific data base addressing, which leads to the conditional updating of the targeted distributed user data bases. Applicants strongly believe that these additional limitations added to new claims 27 and 37 now clearly distinguish their claimed invention over the prior art cited by the Examiner to finally reject claims 14-26, for the references cited by the Examiner do not disclose transmitting identical messages without specific data base addressing.

For these foregoing reasons, Applicants respectfully request entry of new claims 27-39 under Rule 116, reconsideration of the application in light thereof, and especially in light of the new limitations added to new independent claims 27 and 37, and allowance of new claims 27-39 over all the prior art of record.

Respectfully submitted,

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